

Aug 10, 2018

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

VIOLETT BRATTON, o.b.o., COREY  
B., deceased,

Plaintiff,

v.

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL  
SECURITY,

Defendant.

No. 1:17-CV-3218-JTR

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR  
SUBSTITUTION OF PARTY

**BEFORE THE COURT** is Plaintiff counsel's motion for substitution of party. ECF No. 21. Counsel requests that the Court substitute Violet Bratton as the Plaintiff in this action in place of her deceased husband, Cory B., the currently named plaintiff. ECF No. 21.

Plaintiff filed this disability appeal case on December 22, 2017. ECF No. 1, 4. The declaration of Violet Bratton indicates Cory B. died on April 11, 2018. ECF No. 22 ¶ 2. If a claimant dies before receiving disability benefits to which he or she is entitled, the claimant's surviving spouse becomes the real party in interest. 20 C.F.R. § 404.503(b). Violet Bratton is the surviving spouse of Cory B. ECF No. 22 ¶ 1.

1 Based on the foregoing, Plaintiff's motion for substitution of party, **ECF No.**  
2 **21**, is **GRANTED**. All future pleading shall reflect the Plaintiff of this case as  
3 follows: **VIOLETT BRATTON, o.b.o., COREY B., deceased**.

4 **IT IS SO ORDERED**. The Clerk of the Court is directed to enter this  
5 order, furnish copies to counsel, and **AMEND** the docket to reflect Plaintiff as  
6 **VIOLETT BRATTON, o.b.o., COREY B., deceased**.

7 DATED August 10, 2018.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "M" or "Rodgers", is written above a horizontal line.

JOHN T. RODGERS  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE